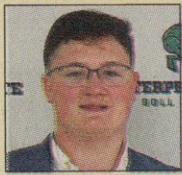


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Elba Tigers win back-to-back state championship in golf

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The Elba High School Golf Team brought the 'blue map' back home earlier this week when the Tigers won the Alabama High School Athletic Association [AHSAA] Class 1A/2A Boys Golf State Championship.

The championships were held at the Robert Trent Jones Hampton Cove venue in Huntsville, Ala., this year.

Not only was this Elba's second year in a row to win the state championship in golf, but the Brantley Bulldogs placed second again for the second year in a row to bring home the runner-up trophy. Also competing in the state championships for Class 1A/2A boys were Athens Bible and North Sand Mountain.

The Elba Tigers have been led this year by a senior-strong team with four seniors on the squad [Collin Sauls, Peyton McCart, Carson Wise, and Paxton Wise]; but it was the team's 8th Grader, Jay Wilson, that vaulted Elba to a one stroke win over Brantley this week to win the state championship as he was the runner-up for low medalist in the event. Wilson shot a

79 on day one of the two-day championships, and he improved that score on day two when he shot a 75 (only three over par).

Other team members are Bradley Chapman and Trace Grantham.

Coach Mark Wicker said each member of the Tigers golf team had contributed to bringing the team to this point, and he said winning a back-to-back state championship was only possible because all members of the team gave it their best efforts this season.

The state championship was a two-day tournament.

The Elba Tigers shot a 336 total on day one to take the lead by three strokes over Brantley, which had a team total of 339 on day one. That third stroke would prove to be key in Elba winning the state championship.

On day two, Brantley had a team total of 327 beating Elba's team total of 329 by two strokes.

Elba finished with a two-day total of 665 while Brantley finished with a two-day team total of 666, only a one stroke difference.

Athens Bible had a two-day team total of 701 for third place while North



The Elba High School Golf Team won its second state championship in a row earlier this week when the Tigers claimed the AHSAA Class 1A/2A Boys Golf Championship in Huntsville, Ala. Elba claimed its 2022 golf state championship by defeating second place runner-up Brantley by only one stroke overall in the two-day tournament. Elba finished with two-day team total of 665, and Brantley finished with a two-day team total of 666. The Elba Tigers are pictured above with their 2022 State Championship Trophy for Class 1A/2A. They are (from left): Bradley Chapman, Trace Grantham, Collin Sauls, Paxton Wise, Jay Wilson, Carson Wise, Peyton McCart, and Coach Mark Wicker.

Two locals killed last week in traffic accidents

Two traffic accidents last week claimed the lives of Elba residents.

On Tuesday, May 3, at approximately 1:05 p.m., William H. Peters, age 87, of Elba was killed in a single vehicle accident on Alabama Highway 125, according to the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency [ALEA]. Peters reportedly was operating a 2005 Ford F-250 truck when it left the roadway and overturned, near the 10-mile marker on Hwy. 125 [about eight miles north of Elba in Coffee County].

ALEA Troopers said Peters was not

using a seat belt at the time of the crash. He was pronounced dead at the scene of the accident.

On Thursday evening, May 5, Lillian R. Moulton, age 51, of Elba was killed when the 2000 Yamaha V-Star motorcycle she was operating left the roadway and collided with a guardrail on U.S. Hwy. 84 near the 154-mile marker [about six miles east of Opp in Covington County]. This single vehicle accident occurred at approximately 7:42 p.m. that night.

No further details were released.

LBWCC instructor applauds local student for "pushing forward" to reach his goals despite health conditions

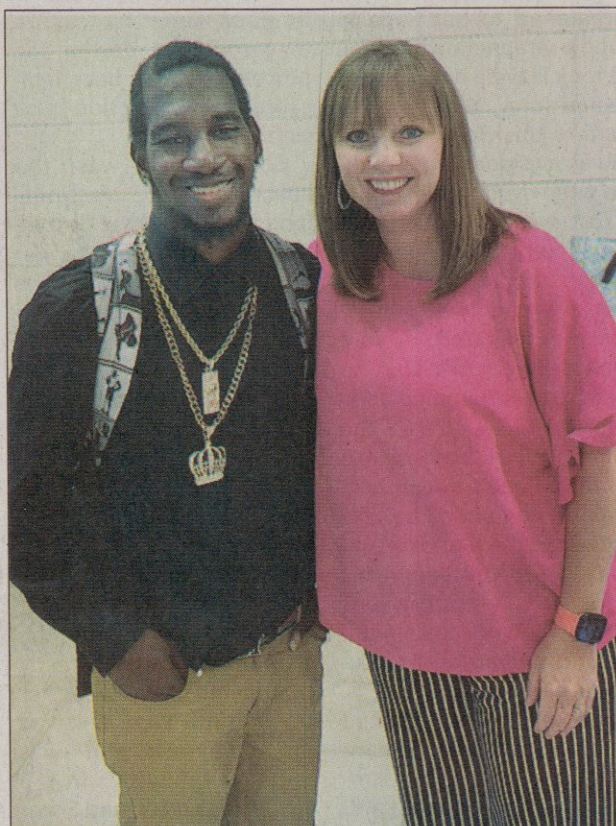
A local student was recognized earlier this week by one of his instructors at LBW Community College as she said she wanted to shine a spotlight on Chris Rayborn of Elba.

Rayborn was born premature with a medical condition that causes brain swelling and seizures and another condition that affects his spine. Despite 27 surgeries over his lifetime already with more to come, he chooses to reach his goal of becoming a certified automotive mechanic.

"[Chris] was even out part of this semester getting treatment at UAB," said LBWCC English/Speech instructor Shannon Lightsey. "With all the reasons he could legitimately use not to pursue his education and career, he chooses instead to push forward."

She said, like many others, one of Rayborn's greatest fears is speaking in front of others, but his condition makes his nervousness more deeply rooted than most.

"I am proud to say that he successfully finished speech class and has forever left an impression on me and his classmates," Lightsey said. "I love teaching at LBWCC



Chris Rayborn is pictured here with his speech teacher, Shannon Lightsey. He is a student at LBWCC, and recently completed his speech class with Lightsey.

because I see firsthand the 'village' that cares for these students from all walks of life. If Chris can do it, you can too!"

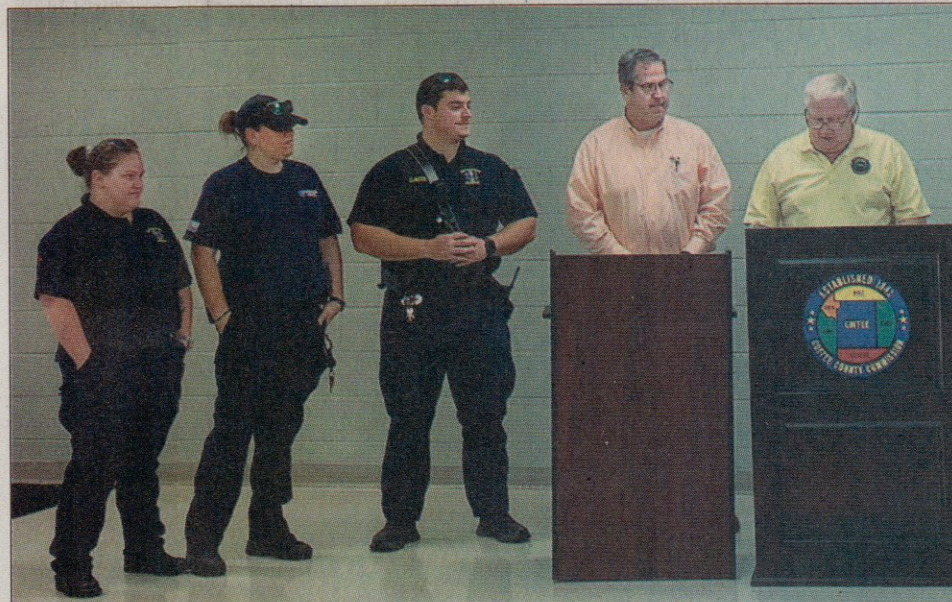
Chris Rayborn is the son of Elba native Ann Rayborn.

News Brief

According to Elba Police Chief Troy Staley, his department received a complaint that an employee with the Elba Water and Electric Board, whom he identified as Amy Sewell, allegedly had assisted in the misuse of a victim's personal information. He said an investigation followed, and investigators found the methods in which the information was obtained to be criminal.

Staley said his office communicated with the Coffee County District Attorney's office and Class A misdemeanor charges of computer tampering were filed. Sewell was booked into the Coffee County Jail on Wednesday, May 4, and a short time later posted a \$1,500 bond.

Staley said no further details would be released as the investigation remains open.



Coffee County Commission chairman Dean Smith (right) presents a proclamation recognizing May 15-21 as Emergency Medical Services Week. Team members of Enterprise Rescue were in attendance to accept the proclamation in Coffee County. Arnold Woodmen (standing by Smith) accepted the proclamation on behalf of Enterprise Rescue.

Elba and County officials approve EMS proclamations

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The City of Elba and Coffee County Commission each proclaimed the week of May 15-21 as Emergency Medical Services Week during the respective meetings held Monday, May 9th.

Commission chairman Dean Smith and Elba Mayor Tom Maddox each presented the proclamations during their meetings Monday, and recognized emergency medical services as vital public service.

"The members of the emergency medical services teams are ready to provide lifesaving care to those in need 24 hours a day, seven days a week," Maddox said. "Access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness and injury."

The local governmental officials said the emergency medical services system consists of first responders, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, emergency medical dispatchers, firefighters, police officers, educators, administrators, pre-hospital nurses, emergency physicians, trained members of public, and other out of hospital medi-

cal care providers.

"It is appropriate to recognize the value and accomplishments of emergency medical services providers by designating Emergency Medical Service Week," Maddox said. "I encourage the community to observe his week with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities."

In conjunction with Emergency Medical

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CCBOE members approve personnel matters during May 10 called meeting

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The Coffee County Board of Education met Tuesday, May 10, at noon for a called meeting of the board, and several personnel matters were approved by board members.

Five certificated personnel employment were recommended by Superintendent Kelly Cobb and promptly approved by the board. This including the hiring of four teachers for the 2022-2023 school year - Kyle Sanders, teacher at New Brockton Middle School; Elyse VanZuiden, teacher at New Brockton Middle School; Molly Galloway, teacher at New Brockton Elementary School; and Courtney Baril, teacher at

New Brockton Elementary School. Also, Matthew Barton was employed as the student services supervisor, effective July 1, 2022.

The transfer of Ashley Rountree, second grade teacher at New Brockton Elementary was approved. She will teach at Zion Chapel Elementary during the 2022-2023 school year.

As for classified personnel, the board accepted the resignation of Greg Lee as custodian at New Brockton Elementary School, effective May 12th. The board also approved the retirement of James Carter, bus driver for Coffee County Schools, effective the end of the school year.

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Healthcare office coming to Elba

Elba Mayor Tom Maddox noted Monday night, May 9, during the Elba City Council meeting that Mizell Hospital in Opp is still working towards opening a healthcare office in Elba soon. Mizell officials are working with the Elba Healthcare Authority to make this a reality, and Maddox said work had already begun on the building in which the office will be located, across from the Elba Nursing and Rehab facility. The mayor said he hoped to have more details to share in the coming weeks.

EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

"Middle age is when your broad mind and narrow waist begin to change places." – E. Joseph Cossman

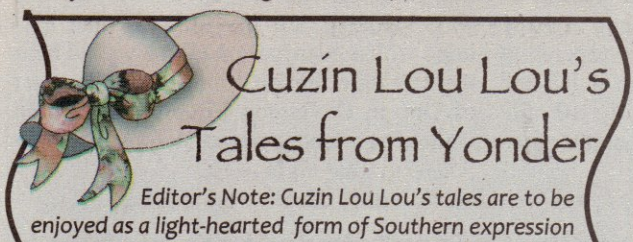
A total lunar eclipse will take place late in the evening of May 15th and the early morning of May 16th. Anyone can go on the web and get the exact time(s) for watching from most anywhere We found "Pine Level" "Antioch", etc., even "Saddle Hill" listed on a pop-up map along with Elba, Kinston, Enterprise, and New Brockton. The downside to a successful watching of the eclipse is that the weather folks predict clouds and maybe even some showers during these evening hours.

We were appalled during the last several days to read about the United States 'secretly' doing things to help Ukraine in their war with Russia! Who in his or her right mind would blab these secrets (if they are really happening)! There was an 'ole WWII Navy saying, "loose lips sink ships." It is just as true today. During our military service in Europe (peacetime duty) in the late '50s there were things we could have been court martialed for if we even talked about it in our room with each other after duty hours. Several of us in my unit were close to the testing of some very sensitive new equipment but mum was the word once our aircraft hit the ground. Imagine our shock years later, after becoming a civilian and on a public relations tour at Ft. Rucker to have a tour guide explaining how that exact equipment worked as casually as if it was 'how to load a pistol!' Our shock became obvious, and he assured us it was now 'old technology'. This stuff with Ukraine is not 'old technology', so someone needs a zipper on their lips – or a jail cell.

Those who study such things report that the longest string of letters used to describe something is actually the chemical name for a protein, and it has 189,819 letters and takes more than 3 hours to say. We don't know what inspired giving something such a long name but believe we could shorten it a bit . . . or find something else to talk about! We doubt you will find this in any common dictionary . . . it would probably have a special book published just for it (or maybe a few chapters a week).

It was interesting to read the Social Security's chart of the most popular newborn boy and girl names for 2021. First looking at the boys and it struck us that in the top ten most popular names last year, eight (and maybe nine) of them were popular two and three generations back in our ancestors. Elijah, James, Henry, Theodore, and Oliver were apparently a legal requirement for more than one newborn in each generation. Noah, Benjamin, and Lucas were not far behind. However, on the girls side, the only one in the top ten is Sophia, and that is in a generation younger than yours truly.

Be safe, wear your mask when appropriate, social distance, wash your hands AND get the shot(s) and/or boosters!



If you will recall, several weeks ago Cuzin Lou Lou threatened to put Papa in bubble wrap following a fall he took leaving him scraped up and sore... Well, fast forward to this week, and Lou Lou is considering that bubble wrap even more!

Last week, Lou Lou and Sister sent Papa to the doctor after a spot on his arm swelled and seemingly became infected. When Papa showed this spot to them, Lou Lou immediately went to work to get the infection out and relieve some of Papa's discomfort. She also demanded he take himself to the doctor, especially after revealing this "spot" was a lasting part of the fall in which Lou Lou thought he had fully recovered from already.

Papa apparently realized Lou Lou and Sister meant business, and he got himself an appointment, and off to the doctor he went. The diagnosis was that Lou Lou had done the right thing in getting as much of that infection out as she could, but Papa still needed some antibiotics to finish clearing the infection up.

Then, earlier this week, the doctor's office calls to let Papa know his culture they took the day of the office visit came back indicated said infection was staph!

Good news was the actual medical professional [Lou Lou is not that despite Papa's efforts to make her one] had prescribed him the proper antibiotic, and she advised the necessary thing for Papa to do was to stay on course and finish his antibiotics. If for some reason, the spot had not cleared completely by the time he finishes the antibiotics, he was to call back for further treatment.

Hopefully, that will not have to happen as the wound area was already looking much, much better by the time Papa received the "the infection was staph" call.

Now, if Lou Lou and Sister can just get him to be a little more careful, and not injure himself again any time soon! That's asking a lot when it comes to Papa... he's a stubborn one!!

Until next time...God Bless and Keep Smiling!

Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, between Tuesday, May 3, 2022, and Monday, May 9, 2022, conducted the following activity:

Tuesday, May 3 – Reckless driver reported on Hwy 84 (9:43 a.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported on County Rd 220 (10:57 p.m.); Vehicle traveling at a high rate of speed reported on Hwy 84 passing Roberts Gas Station in New Brockton (11:14 p.m.). Four traffic stops resulted in three verbal warnings, and one written warning.

Wednesday, May 4 – Vehicle fire reported at 990 Hwy 203 (12:08 a.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported in area of Pinecove Dr at Pinedale Dr – an arrest was made (11:40 a.m.); Domestic complaint reported to Elba Police (5:40 p.m.); Identity theft reported to Elba Police (5:50 p.m.); Harassment reported at 715 Reese Ave (8:36 p.m.). Five traffic stops resulted in one written warning, two verbal warnings, and two citations.

Thursday, May 5 – Suspicious vehicle reported at 522 N Claxton Ave (1:17 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 20426 Hwy 87 (3:07 a.m.); Pedestrian in the roadway reported on Hwy 189 (5:26 a.m.); Theft of property reported at 603 Kendrick St (7:26 a.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 412 Claxton Ave N (8:03 a.m.); Suspicious person reported on Hwy 189 S (9:04 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 1172 County Rd 201 (1:18 p.m.); Animal complaint reported at 322 Buford St (2:44 p.m.); Criminal mischief reported on Simmons St (6:15 p.m.); Harassment reported at 1239 Ann St (8:40 p.m.). Nine traffic stops resulted in two citations, four verbal warnings, one no action taken, and two written warnings.

Friday, May 6 – Suspicious circumstances reported at 640 Reynolds Ave (5:08 a.m.); Harassing communications reported at 1840 County Rd 409 (12:00 p.m.); Animal complaint reported at 1649 Boswell St (1:01 p.m.); Drug activity reported at 1223 Ann St (2:28 p.m.); Domestic complaint reported at 14922 Hwy 87 (2:32 p.m.); Criminal mischief reported at 1152 Neil Grantham Dr (4:30 p.m.); Suspicious person reported on Old Samson Rd (4:33 p.m.); Harassing communications reported at 1125 Reese Ave (5:38 p.m.); Reckless driver reported on Hwy 189 near the Crenshaw County Line – driver given a verbal warning (7:07 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 705 Putnam St (8:26 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported on Powell Circle (8:41 p.m.); Reckless driver reported on Hwy 84 – driver was given

a verbal warning (9:40 p.m.). Ten traffic stops resulted in five citations, four verbal warnings, and one written warning.

Saturday, May 7 – Suspicious vehicle reported at 632 N Claxton Ave (1:28 a.m.); Traffic accident reported at 120 Old Samson Rd (7:04 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported on County Rd 518 (1:26 p.m.); Reckless driver reported on Hwy 84 (2:47 p.m.); Vehicle traveling at a high rate of speed reported on County Rd 514 (3:34 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 105 Court Ave (8:30 p.m.); Harassment reported to Elba Police (9:18 p.m.). Seven traffic stops resulted in four verbal warnings, one written warning, and two citations.

Sunday, May 8 – Reckless

driver reported on Hwy 84 – driver given a verbal warning (7:24 a.m.); Traffic accident reported at 1415 Jones St – with patient transport (5:48 p.m.); Harassment reported at 615 Jackson Ave (6:29 p.m.); Civil complaint reported at 615 Jackson Ave (8:51 p.m.). Six traffic stops resulted in one written warning, two citations, and three verbal warnings.

Monday, May 9 – Animal complaint reported at 381 Tiger Dr (7:51 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 1143 Martin Luther King Dr – with animal impound (8:17 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 1152 Neil Grantham Dr (11:25 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 2132 County Rd 239 – with animal impound (12:50 p.m.); Animal complaint

reported at 1503 Edgewood Dr (2:19 p.m.); Theft of property reported to Elba Police (4:55 p.m.); Criminal mischief reported on Simmons St (5:30 p.m.); Traffic accident reported at Caroline St and Reese Ave – an arrest was made (7:16 p.m.); Suspicious person reported on Neil Grantham Dr (8:32 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at the levee on Reese Ave (9:10 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 429 Plant Ave – an arrest was made (9:16 p.m.); Suspicious person reported in area of Buford and Simmons streets (9:22 p.m.); Disturbance reported at 84 County Rd 432 – an arrest was made (10:31 p.m.). Four traffic stops resulted in one citation, one advice given, one verbal warning, and one written warning.

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WITH TRASH PICKUP IN THE CITY OF ELBA

PLEASE HELP US AS WE CHANGE OUR TRASH PICKUP PROCEDURE

1. WE WILL BEGIN BY PICKING UP APPLIANCES, FURNITURE, AND DISCARDED ITEMS

2. ON A SEPARATE TRIP WE WILL PICK UP LIMBS THAT ARE STACKED AND CLIPPINGS THAT ARE BAGGED

Our drivers are being instructed to pick up what is piled appropriately. They will not be raking small items left after main pickup.

GARBAGE SHOULD BE PLACED IN GARBAGE CANS

REFERENCE OUR CITY ORDINANCE BELOW -

Sec. 62-31. - Disposal of trash.


(a)In residential areas:(1)All leaves, limbs, prunings, appliances, furniture and discarded items shall be placed behind the curb, not in the street, and will be picked up on a cycle.(2)All grass clippings shall be placed in plastic trash bags and sealed tightly to prevent spilling.(3)All sanitary pads and disposable diapers, and other materials used in the care of infants, convalescents, or bedridden people, shall be placed in double plastic, sealed airtight bags, and placed in roll-out containers for collection or scheduled garbage collection days. (4)Where a garbage fee is not paid at a vacant lot, unoccupied residence or building, the owner or contractor is responsible for the removal of trash and other items. One time request may be made under the requirements of section 62-36.(5)Building debris, such as scrap lumber, plaster, roofing, concrete, brickbats and sanding dust, resulting from the construction, repair, remodeling, removal or demolition of any building or appurtenance on private property; and dirt, stumps and tree trunks will not be removed by the sanitation department, but the owner shall cause such waste to be privately moved.(6)The city shall not be responsible for the collecting and hauling of rubbish, trash, limbs, brush or other debris from private property preliminary to, during or subsequent to construction of new buildings of whatever type prior to occupancy. Such material shall be removed by the owner of such property or the contractor responsible for the accumulation of the same.(7)It shall be the responsibility of all fence companies, tree surgeons, pulpwood contractors, nurseries and landscape contractors or any individual or company doing work on private property to remove from premises all residue and rubbish resulting from such work.(b)In commercial areas:(1)Trash collection shall be as needed and/or requested.(2)When needed or requested the placement and disposal shall follow the same rules for residential areas. (3)Rates and charges are established in section 62-36. (Ord. No. 092605, § 6, 9-26- 05)

OFFICIAL SUPPLEMENTAL LIST OF COFFEE COUNTY QUALIFIED VOTERS			
STATE OF ALABAMA COFFEE COUNTY As directed by the Code of Alabama §17-4-1, I, Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of Probate, hereby certify that the within constitutes the supplemental list of all qualified electors inadvertently omitted from the original list published previously, as the same appears from the returns of the Board of Registrars, on file in this office, and who will be entitled to vote in any election held in said county.			
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Obituaries

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WILLIAM HAROLD “BILL” PETERS
Mr. William Harold “Bill” Peters, age 87, of Elba, Ala., died Tuesday, May 3, 2022, due to injuries sustained in an automobile accident. Bill enjoyed farm life, and could easily be found tending cows, raking hay, or near the barn with his horse. He was a veteran of the United States Army and was also an active Mason for over 65 years. Funeral services were held Saturday, May 7, 2022, from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba with Rev. Donnie Marler and Rev. Mack King officiating. Burial followed in



Rosin Ridge Cemetery under the direction of Hayes Funeral Home. He received Masonic grand funeral honors at the conclusion of the graveside service. Bill was preceded in death by his parents, Katie Bell Sara “Louisa” Jane Kelley Peters, and J.D. Peters, along with a daughter, Kathy Peters. Survivors include his wife: Faye Peters, Elba; daughters: Barbara Anne Peters, Fort Pierce, Fla., Rebecca “Becky” Lynn (David) Owens, Ponce De Leon, Fla.; sons: John Daniel (Kim) Peters, Fort Pierce, Fla., William Harold Peters II, Vero Beach, Fla.; a brother: Ronnie K. Peters, Elba; along with 11 grandchildren, and 16 great-grandchildren.

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proclamation reading and presentation at Monday's county commission meeting. “Thank you very much. We appreciate what you do for Enterprise Rescue,” Arnold Woodham, representing Enterprise Rescue said to commissioners. “You go out of your way to ensure the citizens of Coffee County have the best service possible, and we know when we call on the Coffee County Commission you have the citizens well-being at hand to make sure everything is done for them.” The Coffee County Commission and Elba City Council meet bi-monthly.

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CHURCH NEWS

PASTOR'S CORNER

by Kit Johnson, Pastor
First Baptist Church, Elba

Worst Advice Ever

Tell me. Have you ever heard the following: "Listen to your heart", "Do what makes your happy", "Trust your instincts", "You only live once"? This list could go on and on. We have all heard these and others like them, but what does the Bible say about these common encouragements?

Jeremiah 17:9 reads, "The heart is deceitful above all things and beyond cure. Who can understand it?" Still think we should listen to our heart? Mine has led me astray more than once.

What about pursuing happiness? It is the American dream, right? I believe God desires for you to be happy, and He has prepared us a place where there will be no more sadness. But Jesus taught that His children would be hated as He was (John 15:18) and we are to pursue holiness not happiness. Even sin is pleasurable (makes us happy) for a season (Heb 11:25).

You get my point but let me quickly cover the other two popular quotes. We cannot trust our instincts because we have a sinful nature, nor do we only live once for there is an eternity waiting in which our decisions in this life determine the outcome of the next.

It is "graduation season" for both high school and college students alike. Is there any advice we can encourage them with? Of course! Encourage them to be in God's Word. For every circumstance in life, the Bible sufficiently equips each one to know how to respond accordingly ensuring God gets the glory. But wait, there is more! Jesus explains in John 16:13, "But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on His own; He will tell you what He has heard. He will tell you about the future."

The Holy Spirit helps us discern what God would desire for us, but do not assume you will see your entire future at once. What good would it be to live by faith if you have the full picture. Think of all the heroes and heroines of the faith. There are so many examples of God only giving an individual enough to get them started, and they would have to trust that God would reveal the rest as they went.

In "Forgotten God", Francis Chan writes, "I think a lot of us need to forget about *God's will for my life*. God cares more about our response to His Spirit's leading today, in this moment, than about what we intend to do next year."

Think about this as you fill out those graduation cards and give your best advice. Consider what God desires from them and each of His children. Obedience. Encourage them to live out their faith daily seeking His will and take your own advice as well. In Christ,
Kit Johnson

Military Support Group Meetings:

Enterprise Military Support Group meets on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. Anyone who needs to talk about difficult experiences and needs an understanding friend is invited. Meetings at Church on Boll Weevil Circle, 2017 Boll Weevil Circle, Enterprise, Ala.

NOTICE:

Anyone age 60 or over needing a meal, or for questions about the Elba Senior Center or SARCOA, call the center at (334) 897-3019.

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Round and About With Eria's Daughter



Scripture: The Safety of the Faithful [Psalm 4: 1-8]

Thinking of You! Praying for You.

Ilaya O. Kelley, Rita Gray, Government Officials, Corene Wilkerson, Melonie Lands, Clarice Fitch, Rev. Fred and Sis. Annie Flowers, Faye Manning

May Birthdays / Anniversaries

Kendra Yvonne Culver 5/2
Annie Jean Campbell Caldwell 5/2
Michael Watkins 5/2
Lizzie Pearl Wright 5/7
Christopher Whitehurst 5/7
Tiffney Renee Kelley 5/9
Milt E. Belcher 5/10
Todd Hooks 5/10
Gwendolyn Jones Berry 5/10
Steven Knight 5/13
Fannie M. Knight 5/13 (in memory)
James and Leslie Starks 5/15 W.A.
Landy Magwood 5/15

Book Smart

I learned to read at a young age. I remember riding the train at age 7 with my mother as I read an Agatha Christie mystery. A stranger asked my mother if I was actually reading the book, and I hear my mother tell her yes. The stranger pressed, "Does she understand it though?" My mother shrugged and shook her head no. At the time I was offended – of course I understood it! Looking back, there was much about that novel and others that I didn't understand. The books contained words that I could pronounce but not define. These concealed adult themes I was too young to catch. I just filled in the blanks. Jesus demonstrated great insight when He was just 12 years old. Though other boys were committing incomprehensible words to memory, Jesus already

understood the law and could discuss intelligently. He didn't have to fill in any blanks.

At what stage are you in your Bible study? Do you understand what you're reading, or are you still just filling in blanks? – P.M.

Question / Answer Section

Q/A for the Week of 5/12/22

Fill in the Blanks
Q: Pharaoh's dream meant that Egypt would experience _____ year of _____ followed by _____ years of _____

A: seven, plenty; seven, famine [Genesis 41: 28-30]
Q: According to James, _____ triumphs over _____

A: mercy, judgement [James 2:13]

Q: According to John, we are not to love with _____ or _____ but in _____ and in _____

A: word or tongue; deed and truth [1 John 3:18]

Thought to Remember

God has promised rest for our labor.

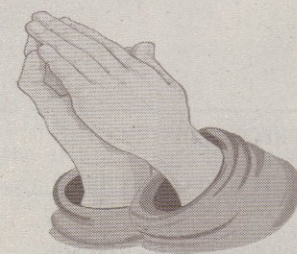
Questions for the Week of 5/19/22

Multiple Choice

Q: The names of Nehemiah's opponents were what? (Pick 3) – Artaxerxes, Ezra, Geshen, Jezebel, Tobiah, Sanballat
Q: To get bread, the Judeans had submitted to what people? (Pick 2) – Assyrians, Greeks, Egyptians, Persians

Today is a good day! Be grateful.

Eria's Daughter, Sue



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Church Directory

<p>IN HIM WAS LIFE AND THE LIGHT OF MEN</p> <p>ABOUNDING GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH Rockey Pearce, Pastor Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.</p> <p>ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH SAMSON, Ala. Richard Thorn Sr., Pastor Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m. Wed. Night Service... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ALBERTON BAPTIST CHURCH Harry Driggers, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH Sam Self, Pastor Sunday School... 9:30 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m. Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>BETHEL AME CHURCH Deborah A. Butler, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:30 a.m. Wed. Bible Class... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>BETHANY BAPTIST CHURCH Greg Cotter, Pastor Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m. Disciple Train... 5:30 p.m. Even. Worship... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>BLUFF SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>BROOKLYN BAPTIST CHURCH Robert Davis, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>CHESTNUT GROVE METHODIST CHURCH Remonia Smith, Pastor Church Service... 9:00 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays</p> <p>CORNERSTONE BIBLE CHURCH Larry Mills, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship... 11:00 a.m. Wed. Night... 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>COVENANT COMMUNITY CHURCH Paul Jackson, Pastor Sunday Fellowship... 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship... 10:00 a.m. Wed. Night "Peak of the Week & meal" 5:30 p.m. Bible Study & Prayer... 6:15 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>DAMASCUS BAPTIST CHURCH Steve Watson, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Discipleship Training... 5:00 p.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>EAON BAPTIST CHURCH Mark Ward, Pastor Sunday School... 10:30 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study... 6:15 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST Phillip Box, Minister Bible Study... 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA CHURCH OF GOD David Noble, Pastor Sunday School... 10:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY H.L. Buckner, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Sunday Night... 6:00 p.m. Thurs. Night... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA DELIVERANCE TABERNACLE Allen Richards, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA 1st ASSEMBLY OF GOD Dwight Johnson, Pastor Sunday School... 9:30 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Steve Reneau, Pastor Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Steve Reneau, Pastor Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA ZION BAPTIST CHURCH Lovell Martin, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.</p>	<p>EVANGELIST TEMPLE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST Timothy Williams, Pastor Sunday School... 10:30 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:30 a.m. Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>FAIRVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>FAITH CHAPEL COMMUNITY CHURCH Phillip Adeok, Pastor Sunday Morning... 10:30 a.m. Sunday Evening... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>1st ASSEMBLYS OF GOD - KINSTON Danny Bradshaw, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH Scott Donaldson, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>FRIENDSHIP HOLINESS CHURCH Edward E. Drake, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening... 5:00 p.m.</p> <p>GODS POWER HOUSE EVANGELISTIC CHURCH Overseers - Billy Berry Sat. Service... 6:00 p.m. Sun. Service... 10:00 a.m. Even. Service... 4:00 p.m.</p> <p>GRACE FELLOWSHIP John Curtis Isaacs, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>GREATER NEW ZION BAPTIST CHURCH Jeremie Turner, Sr., Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>HARRIS TEMPLE COGIC W. K. Ellison, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Wed. Service... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>HAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Rev. Steve Reneau, Pastor Morn. Worship... 8:45 a.m.</p> <p>HAW HILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD Shirley Ellis, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>HEBRON BAPT. CHURCH Mark Cooper, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:30 p.m. Wed. Even. Meeting... 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>HOLY TEMPLE COGIC Glenwood, AL Sunday Prayer... 9:30 a.m. Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Worship Service... 11:00 a.m.</p> <p>INO ASSEMBLY OF GOD Wesley D. Ard, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>INO BAPTIST CHURCH Garry Winsted, Pastor Sunday School... 8:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD Matthew Morris, Pastor Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service... 7:15 p.m.</p> <p>KINSTON 1st BAPT CHURCH Jonathan Jenkins, Pastor Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m. Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.</p> <p>LIVING WORD CHURCH Derrick Stinson, Pastor Saturday Service... 9:45 a.m. Sunday Service... 10:30 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Youth Service... 6:00 p.m. Thurs. Service... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>LIBERTY CHURCH OF CHRIST Greg Hanchey, Minister Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.</p> <p>LOVE'S WAY CHURCH Charles Jones, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>MT. CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH J. R. Parks, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. 1st & 3rd Sundays</p> <p>MT. GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH Dewey Emfinger, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service... 5:00 p.m.</p> <p>MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH Olson Strickland, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH Will Jordan, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.</p>	<p>NEW PHILADELPHIA CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST Loreal Flowers, Minister Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays</p> <p>OAK GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH Julian Mitchell, Pastor 1st, 4th Sun. Morn. Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.</p> <p>OLD TABERNACLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Lee Jones, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.</p> <p>PERDUE ASSEMBLY OF GOD Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>PINEY GROVE ASSEMBLY OF GOD - SAMSON Terry McCrummen, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Evening Worship... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Worship... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>NEW BROCKTON METHODIST CHURCH Dr. Craig Bailey, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>NEW CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH Terry Godwin, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Bible Study... 5:00 p.m. Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>NEW EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH Randall Pearson, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 4:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>NEW GLORIOUS COGIC James Starks Jr., Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:30 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>NEW HAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH Brad Sasser, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Even. Service... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>NEW HOPE BAPT CHURCH Lanny Shepard, Pastor Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service... 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>THE WAY OF HOLINESS CHURCH, Elba Max Reed, Minister Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:30 a.m. Tuesday Bible Class... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH C.P. Davis, Pastor Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Night Service... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>VANDERBILT HOLINESS CHURCH Donald Mills, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Night Service... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>VICTORIA BAPTIST CHURCH Shayne Allen, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:45 p.m. Wed. Worship... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>VICTORY TABERNACLE Ruby Lawson, Pastor Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>WESTSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH Ken Wilson, Pastor Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>WHITEWATER BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>WISE MILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD Kenneth Hagler, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>WOODLAND GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH Donnie Marler, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:30 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>WOOTEN CHAPEL ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH Mike Medley, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ZION CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH Cary Maulden, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.</p>
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COMMUNITY NEWS



COPPAGE MAKING THE GRADE AT ESCC...
Chanler Coppage of Elba was among the Enterprise State Community College [ESCC] students recognized Tuesday, April 12, during the 49th Annual Honors Assembly. Coppage was acknowledged during this assembly as an Honor Student. A 2020 graduate of Elba High School, he is the son of Billy and Heather Coppage of Elba.

On Tuesday, May 17, beginning at 1:30 p.m. the voting machines to be used in the May 24th Primary Election in Coffee County will be tested. This testing will be at the Farm Center Coliseum Building at the Coffee County Complex, E. McKinnon St., New Brockton and is open to the general public. This testing is pursuant to §17-7-25 Code of Alabama, (1975) as amended. For further information contact: Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of Probate [Enterprise office – 347-2688 or Elba office – 897-2211 or www.coffeecountyvotes.com].

Wayne Farms recalls ready-to-eat chicken breast fillet products

Wayne Farms LLC., a Decatur, Ala. establishment, is recalling approximately 585,030 pounds of a ready-to-eat (RTE) chicken breast fillet product that may be undercooked, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) announced today.

The RTE chicken breast fillet products were produced between February 9 and April 30, 2022. The following products are subject to recall [view labels]:

9-lb. cases containing 8 packages of 6-oz "ALL NATURAL FIRE GRILLED CHICKEN BREAST" with "use by" dates ranging from 5/10/22 to 4/29/23.

9-lb. cases containing 12 packages of 4-oz "ALL NATURAL FIRE GRILLED CHICKEN BREAST" with "use by" dates ranging from 5/10/22

to 4/29/23.

6-lb. cases containing 24 individual packages of 4-oz "ALL NATURAL FIRE GRILLED CHICKEN BREAST FILLET" with "use by" date 3/5/23.

16-oz. zippered plastic packages containing "CHEF'S CRAFT CHICKEN BREAST FILLET" and establishment number P-20214 printed next to the 3/23/2023 best by date.

The products subject to recall bear establishment number "EST. 20214" on the case and packaging. These items were shipped to distributors nationwide and further distributed to restaurants and retail locations. The retail locations are in North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia.

The problem was discovered when the firm received a customer complaint that the RTE chicken product appeared to be undercooked. There have been no confirmed reports of adverse reactions due to consumption of these products. Anyone concerned about an injury or illness should contact a healthcare provider.

FSIS is concerned that some products may be in consumers' or restaurants' freezers or refrigerators. Consumers are urged not to eat these products. Restau-

rants are urged not to serve these products. These products should be thrown away or returned to the place of purchase.

FSIS routinely conducts recall effectiveness checks to verify recalling firms notify their customers of the recall and that steps are taken to make certain that the product is no longer available to consumers. When available, the retail distribution lists will be posted on the FSIS website at www.fsis.usda.gov/recalls.

Consumers and members of the media with questions about the recall can contact Frank Singleton, Wayne Farms, LLC spokesman, at 678-316-4237 or fes01@att.net.

Elba Masonic Lodge to host car show June 4th in downtown Elba

The Elba Masonic Lodge #170 will host the inaugural "Wheels on the Square" Car Show on Saturday, June 4, in downtown Elba.

There will be classic cars, trucks and motorcycles on display for admiration and in competition. Registration is from 8-10 a.m. with a \$20 fee per vehicle. The show and awards presentation will be from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m.

There also will be activities for children ages 12

and under; the Elba Public Library will kickoff its Summer Reading Program, and the Alabama Grand Lodge will have the CHILD ID program.

Also, the Elba Masonic Lodge will team with LifeSouth for a Community Blood Drive during the show. For more information message the Lodge on Facebook or TEXT Mike Amison 334-470-0280 or Ed Kelley 850-585-0880.

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Pursuant to the provision of Section §17-8-1 et. Seq., Code of Alabama, 1975 as last amended, we the undersigned Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of Probate; Michael Hines, acting for the Sheriff; and Amy Reeves, Clerk of Circuit Court, as members of the Election Appointment Board for Coffee County Alabama do hereby appoint the following named electors to conduct the Primary Election to be held on May 24, 2022 and the Run-Off Election to be held on June 21, 2022.

Done this the 6th day of May, 2022

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of Probate

/s/ Michael Hines, acting for the Sheriff

/s/ Amy Reeves, Clerk of Circuit Court

NOTICE TO ALL ELECTION OFFICIALS

In accordance with the 1975 Code of Alabama Section §17-8-9, a School of Instruction will be held for all election officials. State law provides that no election official shall serve in any election district in which a voting machine is used, unless he or she has received such instruction from the instructor prior to each election. All election officials must attend the election schools by law. The Election School will be held on the following dates:

***9:00 a.m., Saturday, May 14th**

At the Coffee County Commission Meeting Room, in New Brockton

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SPORTS NEWS

Views From

The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

Our grandson Lawson joined the family last weekend at his Aunt Mel-Mel's for a day of fun in the pool and he had so much fun we had almost finished our burgers before he decided to dry off and join us. I remember back when he was just an infant swimming underwater in a tub filled to the top, and ever since swimming has been his favorite outdoor activity. Hey, it gets him outside, he has fun, and gets clean at the same time. Not a bad combination for an 11-year old boy.

For what it is worth....

*** **The high school softball season** heads into region tournament action this week and two sets of Lady Bulldogs from the area will be at Gulf Shores as Kinston and Brantley will both make the trip with anything but the beach on their minds. The two area teams are longtime rivals and enjoy competing against each other, and that is good and bad, since Kinston and Brantley will tangle in the tournament opener on Thursday morning. Brantley won the state title last season, has more 'blue maps' than at atlas, and is the odds on favorite to win the 1A crown again this season, while Kinston has improved weekly all season and no doubt has its eyes set on a trip to the state tournament next week in Oxford. It seems a little unfair that the two neighboring teams have to meet so early in the tournament, but it will be just one game in the eight-team event and it takes three wins to advance. Good Luck!

*** **While there are always favorites** in any tournament, here in Alabama there always seems to be some teams that make it post-season play just because of the state's expanded playoff set up. I know the players get excited when they get to miss some school and compete in tournaments, but as is the case across the state this week there are teams at the tournaments that really don't have a chance at advancing. In 1A, Autaugaville will be at region with a 4-10 record, while in 2A Highland Home will head to the tournament with a 4-21 record, in 3A Cottage Hill will move on with a 4-11 record, and in 4A North Jackson will compete with a 4-11 slate. Carroll, of Ozark, will take part in the region tournament in Gulf Shores with an 8-33 record, and I know the girls are excited about moving on after a disappointing season, but for them and many other teams it will just be a mini-vacation.

*** **The Elba Tigers will wrap up** spring football practice Friday afternoon with a 'black and gold' intra-squad game, and I'm sure all Tiger fans are excited that their favorite team will be on the field to give a preview of things to come next season. The Tigers are down in numbers a little and I'm not really sure what will happen with the players divided into two squads. However, the coaches will be looking for intensity and desire, and for players that want to make the starting lineup. When the pads come on I know the Elba Tigers will play hard, no matter who they are p-laying, even themselves. It should be fun to watch.

*** **In closing....** The fishing has really picked up at the county pond and with the bream being on bed there have been a lot of happy fishermen leaving the lake after a few hours of relaxation and fun. The lake has over a half mile of shoreline for those who like to use cane poles and rods, and has 83 acres of water for those with boats that like to head to deeper water. Come join the fun!

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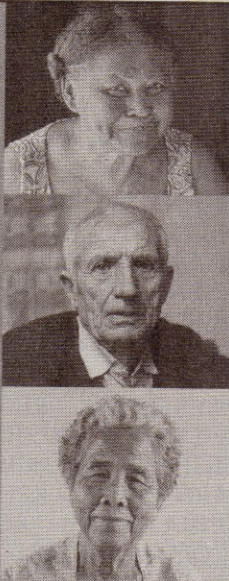
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In high school softball

Brantley and Kinston advance to region

Statistics by
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Brantley Lady Bulldogs race to tourney title

The Brantley Lady Bulldogs continued their dominance over area opponents last week at the Class 1A, Area 3 softball tournament as they blanked Georgiana 22-0 in the opener and then rolled over Red Level 17-0 and 15-0 to claim the tournament title.

In the 22-0 win over Georgiana, the Lady Bulldogs jumped out to a 17-0 first inning lead behind a barrage of five home runs and coasted in with the win. Campbell Hawthorne had 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 5 rbi's to lead Brantley, while Sheonte Barginere added 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 3 rbi's, and AC Free added 1 hit, scored 3 runs and had 1 rbi. Sheonte Barginere hit two home runs in the win, while Kayden Dunn, Campbell Hawthorne and Annah Little all added one homer. AC Free was the winning pitcher as she tossed a three-inning no-hitter with eight strikeouts.

In the 17-0 win over Red Level, the Lady Bulldogs used an 8-run third inning to take command and never looked back to post the win. Kayden Dunn had 3 hits, scored 1 run and had 4 rbi's to lead Brantley, while Campbell Hawthorne added 2 hits, scored 3 runs and had 1 rbi; Alex Grimes added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi; and, AC Free added 1 hit, scored 3 runs and had 1 rbi. Kaylee Navarre was the winning pitcher as she tossed a four-inning one-hitter with nine strikeouts.

In the 15-0 win over Red Level, the Lady Bulldogs scored in every inning to roll to the lopsided win. Annah Little had 3 hits, scored 3 runs and had 4 rbi's to lead Brantley, while Alex Grimes added 3 hits, scored 1 run and had 3 rbi's; Campbell Hawthorne added 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 1 rbi; and, Kaylee Navarre added 2 hits and scored 1 run. Kaylee Navarre was the winning pitcher as she tossed a three-inning no-hitter with seven strikeouts.

Kinston Lady Bulldogs punch region ticket

The Kinston Lady Bulldogs overcame an opening round loss to battle back with three straight wins to place second in the Class 1A, Area 2 softball tournament to qualify for the South Region tourney.

In a 10-6 opening round loss to Samson, the Lady Bulldogs watched a 6-4 fourth inning lead evaporate. Cadence Elmore had 2 hits, scored 3 runs and had 1 rbi to lead Kinston, while A. Farris and Kelsi Cardwell both added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi; and, Kelsi Cardwell added 1 hit and 1 rbi.

In an 18-3 romp past Florala, the Lady Bulldogs scored 1 runs in the first inning and cruised to the big elimination win. Faith Peters had 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 3 rbi's to lead Kinston, while Sydney Smith added 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 1 rbi; Jesikah Seay added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi; Kelsi Cardwell 1 hit and scored 2 runs; Taylor McKinney added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi;



KINSTON LADY BULLDOGS.... punched their tickets to the South Region softball tournament last week with three straight wins after an opening round loss in area tournament play. The Lady Bulldogs will open region play Thursday at 9 a.m. against Brantley.

and, Reagan Smith added 1 hit and scored 2 runs. Sydney Smith pitched three innings and allowed three earned runs on five hits, with five strikeouts.

In an exciting 9-8 elimination win over Samson, the Lady Bulldogs scored three runs in the bottom of the seventh inning to claim the narrow win. Kelsi Cardwell had 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi to lead Kinston, while A. Farris added 1 hit and scored 2 runs; Cadence Elmore added 1 hit and scored 1 run; and, Faith Peters added 2 hits.

In a thrilling 4-3 win over Pleasant Home, the Lady Bulldogs scored three runs in their final at-bat to pull out the victory. Lilli Sumblin had 2 hits and had 1 rbi to lead Kinston, while Cadence Elmore added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi; and, Kelsi Cardwell added 1 hit and scored 1 run.

In a 9-8 title game loss to Pleasant Home, the Lady Bulldogs saw an 8-3 lead evaporate late in a narrow loss. Kelsi Cardwell had 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 2 rbi's to lead Kinston, while Bella Lashley added 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 1 rbi; Faith Peters added 1 hit, scored 2 runs and had 1 rbi; and, Brynne Kelley and Cadence Elmore both added 1 hit and 2 rbi's.

Elba Lady Tigers struggle to score in area losses

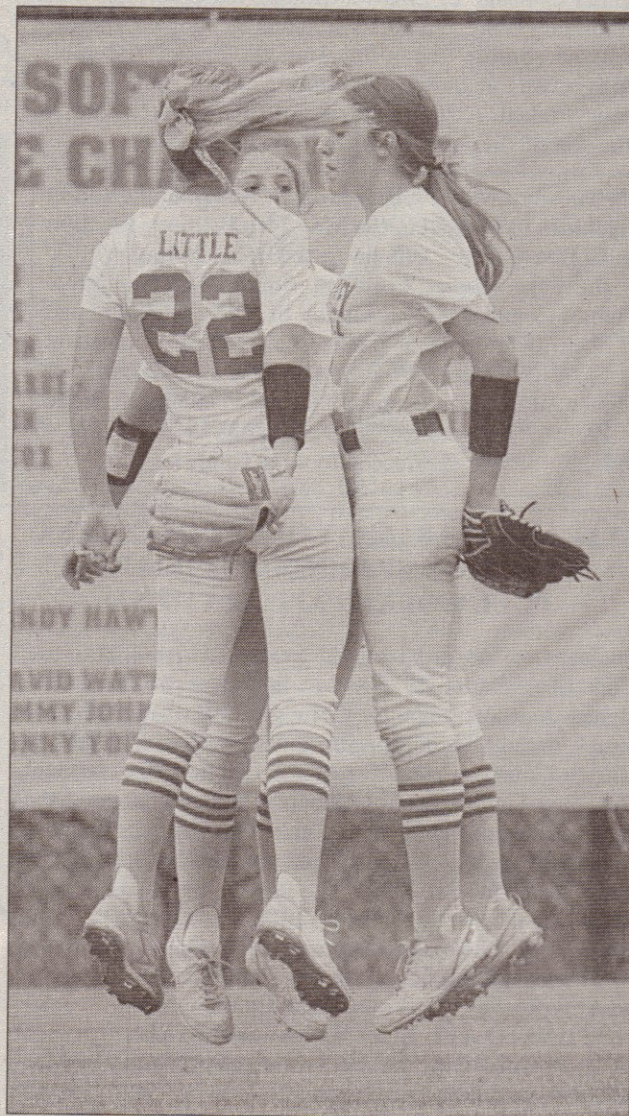
The Elba Lady Tigers scored only one run in two straight games as they failed to advance in last week's Class 2A, Area 3 area softball tournament, in Ariton.

In an 11-1 opening round loss to Ariton, the Lady Tigers trailed only 4-1 in the fifth inning, only to see the deficit balloon late. Destinee Tidwell had 1 hit and 1 rbi to lead Elba, while Aimee Senn, Danielle Tidwell, Emily Richardson and Ariyika Caldwell all added 1 hit.

In a 5-1 elimination round loss to Zion Chapel, the Lady Tigers trailed only 2-1 in the fourth inning, but could not score again and suffered the loss. Danielle Tidwell had 1 hit and 1 rbi and Destinee Tidwell added 1 hit and scored 1 run to lead Elba, while A'lyric Whitfield and Alayvia Stinson both added 1 hit.

Zion Chapel Lady Rebels place third

The Zion Chapel Lady Rebels posted one win in three games last week to place third in the Class 1A, Area 3 area softball tournament.



BRANTLEY LADY BULLDOGS.... had a reason to jump for joy after winning the area tournament title last week. Brantley will open region play Thursday at 9 a.m. against Kinston.

(Photo by Cody Nichols)

In a 16-1 opening round loss to G.W. Long, the Lady Rebels saw an early 1-0 lead vanish in the lopsided loss. Carlee McCallister had 2 hits to lead Zion Chapel, while Shea Wambles added 1 hit and 1 rbi, and Kaylee Hodge added 1 hit and scored 1 run.

In a 5-1 win over Elba, the Lady Rebels scored three runs late to pull away and stay alive in the double-elimination event. Riley Bannin had 3 hits and 2 rbi's to lead Zion Chapel, while Sydney Boothe added 2 hits and 2 rbi's, and Emily Rhodes added 2 hits and scored 1 run. Riley Bannin was the winning pitcher as she tossed a complete game four-hitter and allowed one earned run and struck out ten.

In an 11-1 elimination game loss to Ariton, the Lady Rebels saw an early 1-0 lead evaporate in the season ending loss. Emily Rhodes had 3 hits to lead Zion Chapel, while Kaylee Hodge added 2 hits and 1 rbi, Hannah Finger added 2 hits and scored 1 run, and Shea Wambles added 2 hits.

New Brockton Lady Gamecocks win one

The New Brockton Lady Gamecocks competed in the Class 3A, Area 2 area

softball tournament last week and posted one win in three games to place third in the four-team event.

In a 5-4 opening round loss to Pike County, the Lady Gamecocks saw a possible win slip away late. Kennedy Hussey had 3 hits and scored 1 run to lead New Brockton, while Shelby Hobbs added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi; Madison Meeks added 2 hits and 1 rbi; and, Cecily Ray added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi.

In a 10-5 elimination game win over Goshen, the Lady Gamecocks pulled ahead early and held on late to stay alive. Jordyn Thornton had 2 hits to lead New Brockton, while Shelby Hobbs added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 2 rbi's; Anna Blackmon added 1 hit, scored 2 runs and had 1 rbi; Madison Meeks added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi; and, Kiersten Sunday added 1 hit and 3 rbi's.

In a 5-4 season ending loss to Pike County, the Lady Gamecocks saw a 4-3 fourth inning lead slip away in a heart-breaking defeat. Kennedy Hussey had 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 2 rbi's to lead New Brockton, while Jordyn Thornton added 2 hits, Shelby Hobbs added 1 hit and 1 rbi, and Madison Meeks added 1 hit and scored 1 run.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Alabama's 'free fishing day' is June 11

On Saturday, June 11, Alabamians and out-of-state visitors alike will have the opportunity to fish for free in most public waters including both freshwater and saltwater.

Free Fishing Day allows residents and non-residents to enjoy the outstanding fishing Alabama has to offer without purchasing a fishing license. The event is part of National Fishing and Boating Week, which runs June 4-12.

"This is the perfect opportunity for non-anglers to test the fishing waters and to remind former anglers of all the fun they've been missing," said Chris Blankenship, Commissioner of the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (ADCNR). "It's also a day for kids to learn how fun and exciting fishing is, while giving families a chance to do something together outdoors."

To celebrate Free Fishing Day, ADCNR and Academy Sports + Outdoors are hosting a Go Fish, Alabama! event on June 11 from 8 a.m. to noon at Gateway Park, 3800 Davenport Dr., in Montgomery. The event is free to attend. All the necessary bait, equipment and tackle will be provided. Learn more at <https://www.outdooralabama.com/GoFishAlabama>.

Free Fishing Day also takes place during

Alabama's red snapper season. While fishing license requirements are waived for Free Fishing Day, those fishing for red snapper will still need a \$10 Gulf Reef Fish Endorsement and a free saltwater angler registration. For more information, visit www.outdooralabama.com/fishing/saltwater-recreational-size-creel-limits.

In addition, State Public Fishing Lakes still require a fishing permit on Free Fishing Day, and fishing in a private pond requires the pond owner's permission. Some piers may also require fees and permits. Anglers looking for a new public fishing spot are encouraged to explore the fishing section of www.outdooralabama.com.

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CCBOE

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The called meeting also had the board approving a request to amend the Fiscal Year 2022 budget. The superintendent said this was simply a routine matter to make some minor adjustments here and there to keep the budget balanced. She said there were no major changes included in this amendment.

During her comments, Cobb said awards day ceremonies were taking place at the county schools this week, and those had been going very well as end of the year activities continue across the county.

Also, the superintendent noted that Kinston's girls' softball team would be playing in the regionals tournament last this week in Gulf Shores, Ala. She wished the Lady Dawgs well as they compete to advance to the state softball tournament for Class 1A.

Board president Brian McLeod said the next regular meeting for the Coffee County Board of Education would be Thursday, June 9, at 5:30 p.m.



Kinston Schools senior Blair Wyrosdick, center, signed her commitment papers Monday, May 9, to cheer at the next level with Huntingdon College Hawks. She is pictured above with her current cheerleading coaches at Kinston Connie Hawthorne (left) and Erika Whigham (right). Blair is the daughter of Jamie and Lougener Wyrosdick of the Basin Community.

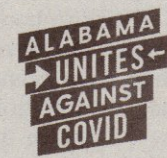


CELEBRATING MOMS! On Thursday, May 5, the New Hope Senior Citizens Center celebrated Mother's Day! As shown above, each lady was given a mini homemade pound cake loaf along with a handmade corsage (made by Penny - one of the employees at the senior center). The home participants also received flowers and cupcakes! Each lady is special whether she has given birth to a child or helped raise the village. "We salute our wonderful ladies from New Hope Senior Center," said Conzuella Banks, manager of the New Hope Senior Citizens Center.

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Job Opening

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Job Opening

Coffee County Highway Department Equipment Operator

Duties and responsibilities include, but are not limited to, operate medium and heavy equipment, trucks, and other vehicles to construct, maintain, and improve roads and drainage systems. Perform additional tasks as assigned. Experience preferred. Must possess a valid Commercial Driver's License (Class A or B). Fringe benefits include paid vacation, sick leave, health insurance, holidays and State retirement. Starting wage is dependent upon experience. Open until position is filled.

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RWCC meeting set for May 18th

The Republican Women of Coffee County will meet Wednesday, May 18, at the Enterprise Country Club, 3000 Ozark Highway. Doors open at 10:30. The luncheon will start at 10:45.

Make reservations by contact Shannon Smith at 334-494-2753 or reservations@gmail.com. She will need to know how many in the party and whether any will be eating. The group will be hearing from the Alabama Public Service Commission candidates: Chip Becker, Robin Litaker and Robert L. McCollum.

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IN THE PROBATE
COURT OF COFFEE
COUNTY, ALABAMA
ELBA DIVISION

IN RE: ESTATE OF
JOSEPH ANTHONY
MARTINES,
DECEASED

CAUSE NO. PC-2022-025

NOTICE TO
CREDITORS

STATE OF ALABAMA
COUNTY OF COFFEE

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 28th day of April, 2022, by the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, to Arrian Bowers to serve as Executrix of the Estate of Joseph Anthony Martines, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims in or against the Estate of Joseph Anthony Martines that they shall and will be required to present any and all claims against said Estate to the Clerk of the Court for probate and registration as is required within the time allowed by law, or said claims will be barred.

/s/ Charles H. Ellzey
Charles H. Ellzey (ELL077)
Attorney for Petitioner
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chas@eandflaw.com
5-5,12,19-pd

IN THE PROBATE
COURT OF COFFEE
COUNTY, ALABAMA
ELBA DIVISION

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF
JOE GLEN LEE,
Deceased,

CASE NO: PC-22-028

NOTICE TO
CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary were granted the 26th day of April, 2022, to Judy L. Hughes as Executrix of the Estate of Joe Glen Lee, deceased, who departed this life on the 22nd day of February, 2022, by the Hon. Jodee Thompson, Judge of Probate.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/L Merrill Shirley
L. Merrill Shirley
Attorney for the Estate of Joe Glen Lee, Deceased
5-5,12,19-pd

NOTICE OF ELECTION
STATE OF ALABAMA
COUNTY OF COFFEE

Pursuant to and in accordance with Ala. Code § 17-9-5 (1975), and such other requirements, I, Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of Probate of Coffee County, do hereby give notice that the Primary Election will be conducted in Coffee County on Tuesday, May 24, 2022. The offices to appear on the ballot are as follows:

United States Senator
Unites States Representative – 2nd District
Governor
Lieutenant Governor
Attorney General
State Senator – District 31
State Representative – District 90
State Representative – District 91
State Representative – District 92
Associate Justice of Supreme Court (2)
Secretary of State
State Treasurer
State Auditor
Commissioner of Agriculture and Industry
Public Service Commissioner (2)
State Board of Education -

District 2
Circuit Court Judge – District 12 (2)
District Attorney
District Court Judge
Sheriff
County Board of Education – District 4
County Board of Education – District 6
Coroner

On Tuesday, May 17th beginning at 1:30 p.m. the voting machines to be used in the May 24th Primary Election will be tested. The voting machine check will be conducted at the Farm Center Coliseum Building at the Coffee County Complex, E. McKinnon St., New Brockton. The test is open to the general public and anyone is invited to attend. This testing is pursuant to §17-7-25 Code of Alabama, (1975) as amended.

/s/Jodee R. Thompson,
Judge of Probate
Coffee County, Alabama
5/12-chg

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
OF COFFEE COUNTY,
ALABAMA
ELBA DIVISION

IN RE: THE MARRIAGE
OF:
AMBER NACOLE
ARNETTE,
Plaintiff,
VS.
KENNETH
CHRISTOPHER
ARNETTE
Defendant,

CASE NO: DR-2022-000004.00

NOTICE TO DIVORCE
ACTION

TAKE NOTICE
That Defendant KENNETH CHRISTOPHER ARNETTE, whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer Plaintiff AMBER NACOLE ARNETTE'S Petition for Divorce and other relief by (3 weeks from filing day), or thereafter, a judgement by default may be rendered against him in Case No: DR-2022-000004.00, Circuit Court of Coffee County, Elba Division.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Plaintiff asked this Court to give notice of divorce action against Defendant.
/s/ Shannon R Clark
JUDGE
5/12,19,26-pd

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LIFESTYLES

Local business begins "Blue Collar" scholarship program

Local business, Williams Auto Parts, recently awarded five high school seniors with its new "Blue Collar Scholars" monetary scholarships.

"Being very familiar with the lack of blue collar laborers today, we decided to gear our scholarships towards vocational fields," said Jason Williams, owner of Williams Auto Parts. "We decided the only information we would look for in our applications were the student's likes,

current courses, job history, and future plans for career choice."

He said the application did not even ask for the student's GPA, as he believes too much emphasis is put into academic standings.

"The applications came to us 'unnamed' because we didn't want to know who we were choosing," Williams added.

He said Mandi McPhaul, Coffee County Career Coach, was instrumental

in getting this scholarship started for Williams Auto Parts, along with the counselors from each school — Elba, Enterprise, Kinston, New Brockton, and Zion Chapel.

The "Blue Collar Scholars" scholarship recipients received \$500 each, with a total of \$2,500 being presented to the five recipients.

"We plan on this being an annual scholarship," Williams said.

Williams Auto Parts has locations in Elba and Enterprise.



CELEBRATING ELBA'S GOLF TEAM...Fans and family of the Elba Tigers golf team (pictured above) gathered Saturday night, May 7, at the Elba Country Club for a "send off" celebration honoring the team. The Elba golfers left for Huntsville early Sunday morning to participate in this week's AHSAA State Championships. The send off celebration included a bonfire, music, food and fellowship! The Tigers competed Monday and Tuesday in the state championships and brought home the Class 1A/2A title!



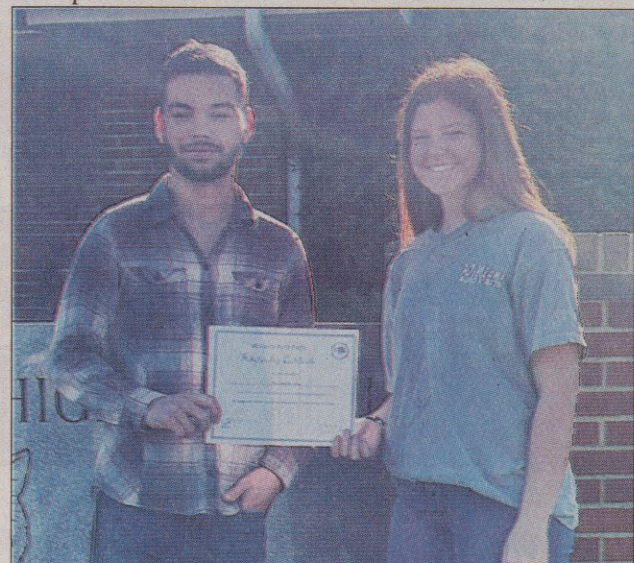
Kinston School's Caden Dean (left) was awarded a Williams Auto Parts "Blue Collar Scholars" scholarship in the amount of \$500. Shown presenting the award is Taylor Williams of Williams Auto Parts.



New Brockton High School's Braden DeLoach (left) was awarded a Williams Auto Parts "Blue Collar Scholars" scholarship in the amount of \$500. Shown presenting the award is Taylor Williams of Williams Auto Parts.



Zion Chapel School's Jaden Liles (left) was awarded a Williams Auto Parts "Blue Collar Scholars" scholarship in the amount of \$500. Shown presenting the award is Taylor Williams of Williams Auto Parts.



Elba High School's Thomas Stinson (left) was awarded a Williams Auto Parts "Blue Collar Scholars" scholarship in the amount of \$500. Shown presenting the award is Taylor Williams of Williams Auto Parts.



Enterprise High School's Emily Strickland (left) was awarded a Williams Auto Parts "Blue Collar Scholars" scholarship in the amount of \$500. Shown presenting the award is Taylor Williams of Williams Auto Parts.

**Lifestyles
News is due
on Mondays!**

Absentee voting deadline is approaching for May 24th election

Please note that Thursday, May 19th at 4:30 p.m. is the deadline to apply in person for absentee ballots for the May 24th Primary Election.

Applications for absentee voting are available at the absentee election manager's office in New Brockton. Absentee Election Manager is Debbie Kinsaul. Mailing address is P.O. Box 427, New Brockton, AL, 36351. The physical location is 5 County Complex, New Brockton, Alabama.

Any qualified voter may submit an absentee ballot application by mail or in person to the Absentee Election Manager's office for the following reasons:

- The voter is out of the country or state on Election Day.
- The voter has any physical illness or infirmity which prevents the voter from attending the polls.
- The voter works a shift that has at least 10 hours, which coincide with the hours the polls are open at the voter's regular polling place.
- The voter is a student enrolled in school outside the county of residence.
- The voter is a member, a spouse or a dependent of a member of the United States Armed Forces or is similarly qualified to vote absentee according to the Federal Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act.
- The voter is a caregiver for a family member who is confined to their own home.
- The voter is incarcerated

in prison or jail and have not been convicted of a felony involving moral turpitude.

Alabama voters voting under the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA) may receive additional information by contacting the Board of Registrars' office or the office of the Alabama Secretary of State for expanded options.

Completed ballots must

be returned by the voter in person to the Absentee Election Manager at 5 County Complex, New Brockton, Alabama no later than one day prior to the election, or if mailed through the United States Postal Service, it must be postmarked no later than one day prior to the election.

Multiple ballots cannot be mailed in the same envelope.

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Thanking Dr. John Granger

In the effort to honor Dr. John Granger for 30 years work with Coffee County Baptist Association, we want to point to some of the work that has taken place and is continuing. These mostly are things the association has done, but Dr. Granger played an essential part.

Today let's talk about evangelism and missions. The Evangelism Committee normally sponsors an evangelistic event and evangelistic training every year. Some events have been planned as interdenominational efforts, like The Rick Gage Crusade. Some of them have turned out to be among the largest evangelistic events ever to take place in Coffee County.

The Horse Whisperer, Paul Daily, broke and rode a wild horse as he shared the gospel. Over 3600 people gathered to see him work and talk about the Lord. This was five times as many people as he had ever addressed before at one time. A good number of people made commitments to God, kneeling in the round pen.

A strength team, called Omega Force, performed feats of strength at the Farm Center in New Brockton for three nights. Over 10,000 people attended. About 300 made commitments to Christ through that event. Dr. John, the Evangelism Committee, and dozens of volunteers worked to get the event together and promote it. Rick Hayes led the effort.

Dr. John encouraged the association to sponsor children and youth summer camps. Kids who attend have lots of fun, lots of adult supervision, and have a chance to hear and respond to the gospel. The children's camp, called IncrediCamp for many years, is immensely popular. It is not unusual to have 25 or so children commit their lives to Christ through this camp. Also, it's not unusual to have 100 volunteers.

These camps are held at the Vineyard Christian Retreat. The retreat itself is a ministry of Coffee Baptist Association. Before Covid, about 5,000 campers used the facilities there each year. It is used by lots of church groups from near and far away. Many people have come to the Lord through a camp at the Vineyard. In fact, year before last, the Vineyard tallied more decisions for Christ at camps and retreats than all 48 of our churches.

Dr. Granger started recognizing people who serve as chaplains in fire departments, police departments, hospice, etc. He, with Coordinator Louie Reynolds, started several chaplaincy programs, like South Alabama Speedway and Baptist Campus Ministries at ESCC. They recruited chaplains for volunteer fire departments and law enforcement. There are 20 distinct categories of chaplains who do ministry and evangelism. The association provides training sessions and an annual banquet to applaud the men and women who serve.

The association sponsors several mission trips. Dr. Granger started one to S.E. Alabama in 2001. Volunteers work with MOWA Choctaw churches in Washington County and intercity children in the Mobile area. One city council and mayor, who knew Dr. John, invited our team to teach VBS to their day camp with 60-80 children. We did it for 19 years, until they discontinued the camp. Trips have averaged about 60 people with some going over 100 and as low as 25 during Covid years. It was not unusual to have 40 to 50 people come to know Christ from the groups there.

**Coffee County Baptist Association
Personnel Committee**

